

OVER IN PARK COUNTY

Remarkable Frequency of Serious and Fatal Accidents in Livingston.

OPENING OF THE SCHOOLS

Marriages, Threshing Operations and Other Interesting Events of Recent Occurrence in the City and Vicinity.

Special Correspondence of the Standard.

LIVINGSTON, Sept. 18.—The Livingston public schools will be open for the forthcoming school year of '03-'04 on next Monday morning, under the able superintendency of Prof. H. C. Ostien, whose record as a public instructor and principal secured for him his reengagement by a unanimous vote of the Livingston school board. This city has just cause to be proud of her free public school institutions. Few cities in the state can boast of better educational facilities vouchsafed the rising generation. With three commodious school buildings and a corps of competent teachers, Livingston lays claim to being one of the recognized educational centers of Montana. Professor Ostien will be assisted in his school work by Misses McDermott, George, Stevens, Conway, Blackmer, Slater and Mrs. Glenn.

There have been more violent deaths within the past few months in Livingston and its immediate vicinity than usually falls to the lot of cities of twice the population. Accidents of a fatal nature hereabouts appear to have become epidemic, like an infectious disease. Within three months three persons have been dragged to death by saddle horses, and what may prove to be the fourth victim is lying at his home in this city in a state of partial consciousness. Last Thursday evening while Frank Vaughn, a 13-year-old son of Mrs. Scott Delaney, was riding a horse at the Fehrman ranch on the upper Yellowstone, he was thrown off and dragged about 300 yards, his foot having caught in the stirrup strap. The lad was picked up in a bruised and unconscious condition and brought to this city. He is suffering from concussion of the brain, and although he has had moments of semi-consciousness, he has not spoken a word since the accident occurred. The fact of his having lived so many hours in his present condition leads the attending physician to place the patient's chances of life and death at about an even ratio.

Eleanor, the 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carter, had a narrow escape from a violent death at the family ranch residence, a few miles south of the city last Thursday evening. A horse used in snaking logs had strayed a little distance from the place where men were engaged in constructing a log granary, and the little girl went after the animal. As she approached, the horse kicked, landing on her forehead and cutting a long gash which laid bare the frontal bone. The child was picked up and conveyed to a doctor's office in this city. It was feared at first that her skull had been fractured, but an examination showed only a scalp wound and the gash was closed by taking a half dozen stitches. The kick was given with sufficient force to have crushed the skull and caused instant death, but happily it was a glancing blow, the little girl being just barely within reaching distance. Had the child been the least bit closer to the animal's heels, the whole top of his head would undoubtedly have been kicked off.

A number of Chinamen are engaged in placer mining on the St. Julian property in the Emigrant district. They are employed by James Connell, and work on drawings for a percentage of the yellow dust secured.

Cards are out announcing the forthcoming marriage of Miss Lillie Williams to John Rorick. The ceremony will take place at the residence of the bride's parents in Cokedale on Wednesday evening, the 20th instant.

The city council has secured a year's lease of the old New York house on Main street, and is having the building fitted up for office and fire department purposes.

Robert Guthrie and Miss Clara Peterson, both of this city, were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's mother in Minneapolis on the 11th instant. The couple arrived home Thursday morning.

A brilliant and fashionable wedding will take place on Tuesday, the 26th instant, at the ranch residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Thirza Grannis, on Shields' river. The parties to the felicitous transaction will be Miss Stella Cline and C. W. Booth. A large number of invitations have been issued and the Grannis mansion will undoubtedly be well filled with guests on the date set for the consummation of the happy event. The groom-elect is now located at Waukesha, Wis., where he is employed as chief clerk to Jas. McNaughton, superintendent of motive power on the Wisconsin Central railroad. He was formerly a resident of this city, having been for a number of years chief clerk to the erstwhile master mechanic of the Montana and Yellowstone divisions of the Northern Pacific.

The annual teachers' institute for Park county will be held at the west side school building in this city, beginning on Oct. 10. The session will be of three days' duration. The programme will include a lecture on "The Life and Oratory of the Late Wendell Phillips," by Hon. A. E. Steere of Helena.

General Manager Kendrick of the Northern Pacific, has caused to be bulletined in this city notices offering a reward of \$2,000 for the capture of the road agents who held up the east-bound passenger train near Reed's Point on the night of Aug. 25.

The county commissioners will meet in special session on Monday, Oct. 9, to open bids for the purchase of coupon bonds of Park county, in the sum of \$75,000.

The new hotel and natatorium of Officer & Fargo at Hunter's Hot Springs will be open to the public about Oct. 1.

The 11-year-old daughter of Moses Goodron, residing in Riverside addition, was terribly scalded the other evening at a neighbor's residence by the overturning of a kettle of boiling water.

R. V. Wagner, a ranch hand in the employ of McMurds & Blair of Shields' river, was thrown from his horse last Sunday and sustained a fracture of both bones of his right arm. The patient was brought to Livingston for surgical treatment.

"The Pirates of Penzance," a French opera, will be presented at the opera house in this city on the evening of the 27th instant, under the auspices of the ladies of the Congregational church.

Rev. J. A. Martin, of the Livingston circuit, has been transferred to the Boz-

man circuit and has removed to that city. The farmers of the Boulder and upper Yellowstone valleys have been actively engaged in threshing operations for the past week. The yield is somewhat below the average, unirrigated crops being exceptionally light. The Shields river valley crops are just being harvested, the season in that vicinity not being as forward within two weeks as the other prolific valleys adjacent to Livingston.

Attachment proceedings have been instituted in the district court the past week by Thomas Hunter, to recover from J. H. Conrad and S. C. Hunter, of Red Lodge, the sum of \$11,200, alleged to be due on certain promissory notes. Other suits in attachment have also been commenced by several Red Lodge parties and corporations to recover from the firm of J. H. Conrad & Co., sums aggregating \$8,066. Acting under instructions of Messrs. Campbell & Stark, attorneys for Thomas Hunter, Sheriff Conrow on Thursday garnished a note for \$16,000 in the hands of Receiver Mercer, of the Livingston National bank. This note was executed by Mr. Ashby, of Helena, in favor of J. H. Conrad and had been deposited with the bank.

The Yellowstone club, a literary organization, has resumed meetings for the fall and coming winter.

The Crippen residence was the scene of a pleasant social party last Wednesday evening, when Miss Nellie Prohle entertained a number of her friends on the eve of her departure for Davenport, Iowa, to enter a fashionable private school. Those present were Misses Ash, Hoopes, McDermott, Ballinger, Wittich, Miller, Bowers and Krieger, and Messrs. Hickman, Eisenberg, Carey, Woods, Swindlehurst and Kuehn.

The wholesale clothing firm of Kuhl, Nathan & Fisher, Chicago, creditors of Henry Frank, the clothing merchant of this city, yesterday relieved the National Park bank of possession of the store and stock by satisfying the bank's claim of \$9,180 against Mr. Frank, secured by first chattel mortgage. The Chicago firm is represented by one of their traveling salesmen, F. F. Honeck, who states that out of the firm's numerous creditors none had a higher marking for prompt payment of bills than Mr. Frank. The Chicago house propose to place Mr. Frank on his feet again as soon as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fauver and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clark and children, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Fullerton and son, Mrs. Ed Cameron, Mrs. Frank Shepard, Miss Marcia Shepard and John Lannon, composed a party which is making a two weeks' tour of the national park by private conveyance. The party departed for Wonderland this morning.

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